



Easter Is All About You!

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Key Events This Month:

4/12—Easter for Kids
4/13—Council Meeting
4/17—Maundy Thursday
4/18—Good Friday
4/20—Easter Celebration
4/20—Potluck Easter Brunch between services
4/25—Family Fun Night
4/27—Quarterly Voter's Meeting

"Because I live, you also will live."

John 14:19

"Happy Holidays!" Sound out of place in April? It doesn't have to. This month marks arguably the most important holiday of the year ... Easter. Why? Because Easter is ALL ABOUT YOU! But isn't Easter about Jesus? Yes, Easter is not so much about colored eggs, candy baskets and bunny rabbits. It is about Jesus. But Easter is also about YOU!

At Easter we celebrate that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. This miraculous event is certainly reason for celebration, especially since Jesus had to suffer so much and have his life cut so short. But Easter is much more than that. Knowing the significance of Easter is a matter of life and death!

You see, Jesus could have chosen not to die. He had the power to stop his murderers. He had the power to walk away from his cross and from all who cried out "Crucify him!" He had the power to



leave this earth and go back up to heaven where he came from. But Jesus willingly chose to live as one of us, but he never sinned, not even once. He was determined to suffer and to die. Why would anyone leave the eternal bliss of heav-

en for that? Because Easter is all about you!

He looked down from heaven, saw sinful mankind, and chose to love us anyway. We have not loved God perfectly with our whole heart and soul, mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor perfectly as ourselves. For that, God should have made us pay with our lives for our sins against him. Instead, he sent his sinless Son who took our sins on himself; Jesus suffered and died in our place.

Here's the best part: he rose from the dead! And because he conquered death, Jesus promises that we too shall conquer death! Yes, we will still have to endure the physical experience of death. But just like Jesus, our Savior, we too will rise from

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Code Word: He Is Risen!

Easter 4 Kids 2014

The secret's out. The grave is empty. Jesus is alive! He has risen!

This year's Easter for Kids outreach event will have the theme: Code Word: He Is Risen! The focus of our event will be sharing the good news of Jesus' resurrection with the children of our congregation and our community. We'd

love to have you get on board with supplying materials, handing out invitations, volunteering for the event, and keeping our congregation and this awesome event in your prayers! Please join us!

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the dead, and through faith in him, join him in heaven.

That's how Easter is all about you. Jesus said, "Because I live, you also will live." Trusting in him as your Savior from sin, he assures you that you will rise from the dead and live forever.

He is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!

Light of the World Mission Statement

*As a family of believers united in faith, we serve Jesus, the true Light of the World, as we **GATHER** around God's Word and the Sacraments and **GROW** together in our faith and our relationship with Jesus, so we can **GO** and share the good news of Jesus in our community and the world and **GLOW** with the love of Christ in our lives.*

VBS 2014: Gangway to Galilee

Are you getting excited for VBS this year? Planning for this fun-filled week is well underway as we prepare to lead the children of Light of the World and our surrounding community through the waters of life and share the good news of Jesus!

It's never too early to start thinking about how you might serve your Lord and his church by being a part of this year's VBS. More information will be coming in the next couple of months, but in the meantime, blow up your water wings and get ready to go on the sea adventure of a lifetime!

God's Lights Of the World

Thank you to Fay Mueller for hosting this past months Bible Study at church. Our next study will be April 22 at 6:00, location to be determined. We will be studying session 4 in *God is in the Laundry Room*.

Our next meeting will be April 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the church basement.

A few other items coming up: Easter brunch, Easter for Kids, summer activities for women, and our 2014 Retreat. Keep

your eyes open for ways that you can get involved with our upcoming retreat. Click on the 2014 WELS Women's Retreat tab on our website to see continual updated information on all the details. [SAVE-THE-DATE: Friday-Saturday, September 19-20, 2014.](#) The retreat will be taking place at Pikes Riverfront Lodge. We'd love to see you all there to help represent the women of Light of the World.

God bless, Becky Strong

On the Lighter Side...

This is a new feature for our newsletter where amusing items will be posted from mis-statements in actual church bulletins, children's comments on church and religion, insurance claim forms where car drivers attempted to summarize the cause of an accident, and other items designed to provide a laugh or two.

"Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on Oct. 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days."

"The concert held in the Fellowship Hall was a great success. Special thanks are due to the minister's daughter who labored the whole evening at the piano which as usual fell upon her."

Quarterly Voters' Meeting

On the last Sunday of this month, April 27, we'll be holding our quarterly voters' meeting. Some of the items up for discussion will be evaluating the addition of a second service and planning out maintenance work days for the next few months.

These meetings are a great way to get updates on what's going on here at Light of the World,

and it's the place where you can give feedback on our ministry here.

If you have a specific area of concern or a specific item you'd like included on the agenda, we'd ask that you present it to the Council first so that they can have the opportunity to talk about it before the meeting. Thanks!

Living Hope in Jesus

Doesn't it seem to you like after Christmas, the buildup here is to Easter, and then it's all down hill from there? We put so much effort in getting friends to church for Easter, but then the Sunday after isn't as important?

Lord-willing, we'll keep inviting friends to Easter, but why not invite them to come back

again and again?

This Easter season (including the 6 Sundays after Easter), we're going to dive into a sermon series entitled "Living Hope in Jesus." Because of Jesus, we have that hope. Why not share it? We hope you'll invite a friend to share in the living hope we have in our resurrected Lord!

APRIL 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 4:30—Choir	2 5:30—Lenten Meal 6:30—Midweek Lenten Meditation	3	4	5
6 8:00, 10:30—Worship w/ Communion 9:15—Sunday School for all ages	7 4:30—Catechism	8 4:30—Choir 6:00—GLOW Meeting	9 5:30—Lenten Meal 6:30—Midweek Lenten Meditation	10	11 6:00—Preparations for Easter for Kids	12 1:00—Easter for Kids
13 8:00, 10:30—Palm Sun- day Worship 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 12:00—Council Meet- ing	14 4:30—Catechism	15 4:30—Choir	16	17 6:30—Maundy Thurs- day Worship	18 6:30—Good Friday Observance	19
20 8:00, 10:30—Worship w/ Communion 9:15—Easter Brunch	21 4:30—Catechism	22 4:30—Choir 6:00—Women's Bible Study	23	24	25 6:00—Family Fun Night	26
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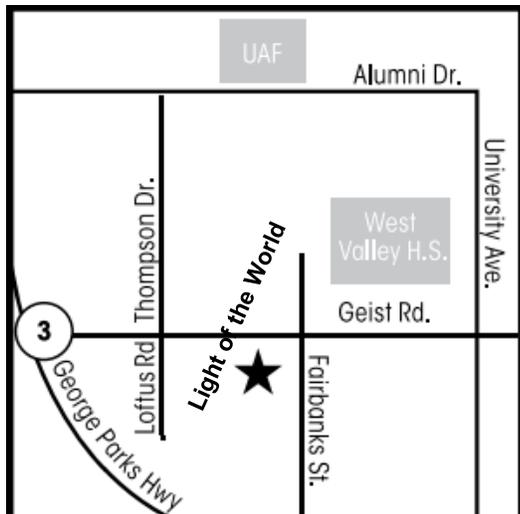
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“He is not here; he has risen,
just as he said!”

- Matthew 28:6

